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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Soundscapes' Next Movement: Serving More Students project in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Soundscapes, Inc., located at 11712 Jefferson Ave, Suite C #473, Newport News, VA 23606.

The funding will be used to grow Soundscapes and make transformational music education available to more students in the Hampton Roads region of Virginia. Soundscapes is a nonprofit youth development program in Southeastern Virginia that uses music instruction and performance to foster life skills in students from early childhood to early adulthood. Music is an ideal tool to reach students from low-income households and help them overcome any negative circumstances they may face and achieve their full potential. Soundscapes does this through daily after-school music programs, a regional youth orchestra (Peninsula Youth Orchestra), and several week-long summer music camps. Most Soundscapes programming is free, and Peninsula Youth Orchestra is offered on a sliding scale, which means the cost is determined based on family income and need.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bobby Scott".

ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT
Member of Congress